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SUBJECT: CZECH ASYLUM SEEKER - BILEK, PAVEL

REF: (A) STATE 219394, (B) NICOSIA 2654, (C) NICOSIA 2667

1. SENIOR UNHCR REP ROMAN KOHAUT INFORMED EMBASSY OFF TODAY THAT UNHCR NICOSIA UNABLE TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR BILEK AT REQUEST OF U.S. KOHAUT EXPLAINED THAT PROPER PROCEDURE IS FOR SUBJECT TO FORMALLY REQUEST ASYLUM AND REFUGEE STATUS FROM GOC WHILE DECLARING TO WHICH COUNTRY HE WISHES PROCEED. IN TURN, THE GOC COULD REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM UNHCR IN RE-LOCATING REFUGEE. KOHAUT ALSO ADVISED US THAT UNHCR NICOSIA HAS NO FUNDS FOR LODGING, BOARD, TRANSPORTING, ETC. A REFUGEE CASE OF THIS TYPE WOULD HAVE TO BE FUNDED BY UNHCR HEADQUARTERS GENEVA. FINALLY, HE EXPRESSED RELUCTANCE TO INVOLVE UNHCR IN THIS CASE BECAUSE UNHCR ROLE IN CYPRUS IS ONLY TO ASSIST CYPRIOT REFUGEES. HE DID MENTION TO EMBOFF HE IS PLANNING TO CALL UNHCR GENEVA ON MONDAY TO ASCERTAIN WHAT POSITION THEY WISHED TO TAKE IN THIS MATTER.

2. AS REPORTED REF (B) WE CONTACTED GOC CHIEF IMMIGRATION OFFICER SEPT 4 ADVISING HIM THAT BILEK, WHO WAS PRESENT, WAS SEEKING ASYLUM AND WISHED TO PROCEED TO THE U.S. IT WAS CLEAR FROM THIS

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MEETING THAT GOC HAS LITTLE INTEREST IN THE CASE, NO ADEQUATE

FACILITIES TO EXTEND ASSISTANCE AND A RELUCTANCE TO INVOLVE THEMSELVES. THEY DID ASSURE US THAT THEY WOULD NOT EXPELL BILEK FROM CYPRUS OR DEMAND HIS RETURN TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA. AT THIS POINT WE TURNED TO UNHCR FOR HELP WHO OFFERED NO ASSISTANCE. WE ARE PLANNING TO APPROACH THE GOC AGAIN SEPT 6 FOR ASSISTANCE AND WILL SUGGEST THAT THEY RATHER THAN US REQUEST UNHCR HELP IN ARRANGING TEMPORARY LODGINGS, RESETTLEMENT AND NECESSARY TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS. HOPEFULLY, THIS PROCEDURE WILL PRODUCE BETTER RESULTS THAN OUR PREVIOUS TRIES WITH THE GOC AND UNHCR. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFLUENCE USMISSION GENEVA CAN EXERT ON UNHCR GENEVA. MEANWHILE WE ARE CONTINUING TO LET THE SUBJECT REMAIN IN MARINE HOUSE.  
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